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SUBJECT: CANADIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TO ATTEND G-8 BMENA FORUM

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11. (SBU) Foreign Minister Lawrence Cannon has agreed to represent Canada at the G-8 Broader Middle East and North Africa Forum for the Future in Marrakech November 2-3. His staff confirmed that he reversed an earlier decision (ref b) to send Parliamentary Secretary for Foreign Affairs Deepak Obhrai in recognition of Secretary Clinton's hopes that the Foreign Minister personally attend in light of Canada's G-8 presidency.

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